UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

ConocoPhillips Alaska)	
Natural Gas Corporation)	
and)	FE Docket No. 07-02-LNG
Marathon Oil Company)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION OF AGRIUM U.S. INC. FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL COMMENTS

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On March 14, 2008, Agrium U.S. Inc. (Agrium), an intervener in this proceeding, filed a motion (motion) requesting leave to file supplemental comments in the instant proceeding. By its supplemental comments, included with the motion, Agrium advised the Department of Energy (DOE) that Agrium will not proceed to develop a previously planned coal gasification plant, known as the Kenai Gasification Project ("KGP Plant"), at Nikiski, Alaska. No party submitted timely replies to the motion.

In notifying DOE of the cancellation of the KGP Plant, Agrium commented that the KGP Plant was one of the sources of synthetic gas cited by ConocoPhillips Alaska Natural Gas Corporation ('ConocoPhillips') and Marathon Oil Company ('Marathon') (collectively, 'Applicants') as a potential alternative for natural gas supplies in the Cook Inlet region. Because the adequacy of natural gas supplies on the Kenai Peninsula of Alaska is a central question in determining whether to grant the applicant's request for export authority in this proceeding, Agrium maintained that the determination to cancel the KGP Plant is a relevant factual development that should be considered by DOE in its decision-making in this matter.

Upon review, Agrium's motion for leave to file supplemental comments shall be granted.

It is ordered:

Agrium's motion for leave to file supplemental comments is granted.

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